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Yukio Michishita

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For: LIGHT BRANCHING APPARATUS AND OPTICAL COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>After Amendment</u>	<u>Prev. Paid for</u>	<u>Extra Claims Present</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee Due</u>
Total claims	21	20	1	18.00	\$18.00
Indep. claims	4	4	0	84.00	\$0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment					\$18.00

A check in the amount of \$18.00 is attached hereto to cover the cost of one excess dependent claim.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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